

9. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE
Carnahan OF Missouri,
OR His DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES.

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**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1429, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. CARNAHAN OF MISSOURI**

Page 35, after line 10, insert the following (and make such technical and conforming changes as may be appropriate):

1 (d) ENROLLMENT.—Section 640(g) of the Head
2 Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9835(g)) is amended by adding at
3 the end the following:

4 “(5) In the event that the amounts appropriated to
5 carry out the program under this subchapter do not exceed
6 the amount appropriated in the prior fiscal year, or exceed
7 the amount appropriated in the prior fiscal year by an
8 amount equal to less than the percentage change in the
9 Consumer Price Index For All Urban Consumers, as pub-
10 lished by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Head Start
11 grantees may negotiate with the Secretary a reduced fund-
12 ed enrollment level without a reduction in the grant
13 amount if such grantee can demonstrate that such reduc-
14 tion is necessary to maintain the quality of services.

15 “(A) In accordance with this paragraph, the
16 Secretary shall set up a process for grantees to ne-

1 gotiate the above-mentioned reduced funded enroll-
2 ment level.

3 “(B) Under the conditions detailed in this para-
4 graph, the Secretary shall be required to notify
5 grantees of their right to negotiate a reduced funded
6 enrollment level if such grantee can demonstrate
7 that such reduction is necessary to maintain the
8 quality of services.”.